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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
(Case No. 05-252-G)

In application of:

Gaston *et al.*

Serial No. 10/772,374

Filed: February 6, 2004

For: Therapeutic Use of Aerosolized  
Nitrosylating Agents in Cystic Fibrosis

Before the Examiner:  
R. Henley III

Group Art Unit:  
1614

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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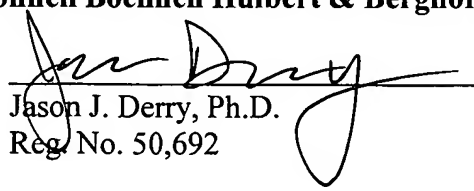
In regard to the above identified application:

1. We are transmitting herewith the attached:  
Response to Office Action Mailed August 1, 2005; Return Postcard;
2. With respect to fees:  
No fees are required.
3. GENERAL AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE OR CREDIT FEES: Please charge any necessary fees to Deposit Account No. 13-2490.
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Respectfully submitted,  
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED AUGUST 1, 2005**

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action, mailed August 1, 2005, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.**

**Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3.**

**Remarks begin on page 4.**